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SUBJECT: CYPRUS TO ENDORSE EU DECLARATION ON ZIMBABWE;  
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Per reftels, Embassy March 19 delivered points to MFA Near East/Africa Affairs First Secretary Monica Ioakim. Ioakim responded March 23 that Cyprus had fully endorsed the position of the EU Presidency concerning the situation in Zimbabwe and would endorse the EU Declaration. Moreover, Ioakim noted that Cyprus was examining the possibility of issuing a parallel declaration as well; the MFA would reach a decision the week of March 26. She mentioned that the GOC recently had met with the UK and other countries to compare notes and positions, and all were pushing for "a strong stance" on Zimbabwe. Post will report septel any additional substantive responses.

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